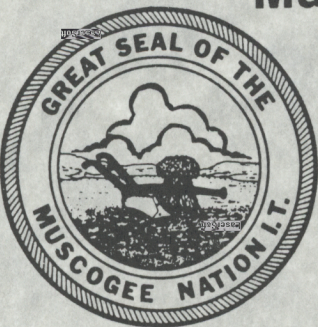


# Muscogee (Creek) Nation

Department of Community and Family Services  
Children & Family Services Administration  
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Dear Applicant:

The Muscogee (Creek) Nation Children & Family Services Administration is very pleased that you are interested in the Adoption Program. Adoption is a needed and valued service to the Muscogee (Creek) Nation. Some children, for a variety of reasons, cannot be reunited with their own families. These children need *permanent* care from warm, loving and dedicated families since they cannot be reunited with their family of birth. We appreciate your enthusiasm and are looking forward to your participation in the Indian Child Welfare, Adoption Program.

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Please take time to read the instructions and complete all necessary steps. A Child Placement Specialist will be happy to help you complete the application forms or explain the application process if you need assistance.

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In order to consider making a placement with your family, or referring your family to another agency, we must have a complete and current file. We request that you fill out all the necessary forms and return them to our office as soon as possible.

Since our office follows the *Indian Child Welfare Act* as well as *Muscogee (Creek) Nation Placement Preference Act*, we must consider the following in placement: blood degree, socio-economic status of the family, tribal enrollment, and family life, etc. This process takes only a few months, while the placement of a child may take six months to one year.

Should you have any questions regarding the above information, please do not hesitate to contact us at 1-800-521-5432.

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